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**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend paragraph [0019] beginning on page 5 as appears below:

[0019] A transfer device 25 is positioned to receive soaped tires 24 from the tire soaper work station 22 and transfer the soap tires 24 to the endless conveyor member 17. The soaped tires 24 are positioned on the soaped wheels 20 and moved to one of a plurality of wheel assembly work stations 26, 26a. The wheel assembly work stations 26, 26a are disposed along the conveyor member 17 adjacent a third module 12c. The wheels 20 and tires 24 are moved to the wheel assembly work stations 26, 26a with a carriage 28. The assembly line 10 includes a plurality of carriages 28 for moving a plurality of wheels 20 and tires 24 at one time. The carriages 28 are moved between the beginning 14 and end 16 by the conveyor member 17. The module 12c [[are]] is exchangeable with the modules 12a or 12b if desired.

Please amend paragraph [0021] beginning on page 6 as appears below:

[0021] Referring now to Figures 2-4a, each module 12 includes a lower frame assembly 34 and an upper frame assembly 36. The lower frame assembly 34 includes first and second upper longitudinal horizontal cross[[ - ]]members 38, 40 extending parallel to the conveyor member 17. The lower frame assembly 34 also includes first and second lower longitudinal horizontal cross members 40, 42 extending parallel to the conveyor member 17. The lower frame assembly 34 also includes first and second downstream vertical cross members 46, 48. The lower frame assembly 34 also includes first and second upstream vertical cross members 50, 52. The horizontal cross members 38, 40, 42, 44 and the vertical cross members 46, 48, 50, 52 are rigidly associated with respect to one another to form a cube-like structure. The

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cross members 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52 are releasibly connected to one another, such as being bolted together, or can be fixedly connected to one another, such as being welded together. First and second lower plate members 54, 56 extend transverse to the conveyor member 17 at opposite ends of the module 12. The lower plate members 54, 56 define apertures for receiving leveling bolts 58.